

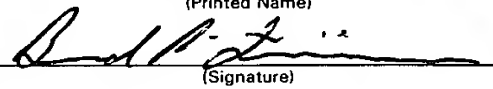


Section 1

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Applicant: Nicholas L. ABBOTT, et al.
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
DETECTION OF MICROSCOPIC
PATHOGENS
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In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed on May 16, 2001, in the above-identified application, transmitted herewith are the missing parts needed to complete the filing of the subject patent application.

Enclosed are:

- [X] Signed Declaration and Power of Attorney (4 pages)
- [X] Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts (Part 2 of Form PTO-1533)
- [X] Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) (duplicate)
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02 FC:203	387.00 OP
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04 FC:205	65.00 OP

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 355 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$427.
 - \$387 for 43 total claims over 20.
 - \$40 for 1 independent claims over 3 .
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 847.

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